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Partial Appropriations,

FOR THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND TWO.

PRESENTED THE 5th FEBRUARY, 1802.

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No. I.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

January 28th 1802.

SIR,

THE secretary of war informs me, that in order to make timely provision for the pay of the army, it is necessary to place in the hands of the paymaster general, funds, exceeding by sixty thousand dollars, the unexpended balance of appropriation for that object.

As it is probable that the appropriation law, for the support of the military establishment, may not, on account of the alterations adopted by the house of representatives, be prepared for some time, permit me to suggest the necessity of passing, in the mean while, a short law, making an appropriation on account, to the amount, and for the object above stated. Should that mode be adopted, two small appropriations, also on account, might be introduced in the same bill, for the contingent expences of the house of representatives, and of the treasury department,

respectively, for the present year; the appropriations for those two objects, being exhausted.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ALBERT GALLATIN.

The hon. JOHN RANDOLPH, JUN.
Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means.

No. II.

SIR,

The register of the treasury, under whose control the contingent expences of the department, and those attending the printing of the public accounts have always been placed, informs, that an appropriation of $1,613\frac{1}{2}$ is wanted to make good deficiencies in relation to the first object, and another of \$1,400 also to make good deficiencies in relation to the last object.

It will appear by the enclosed report of the auditor, that \$1,361 $\frac{1}{2}$ are actually due to Mr. Nourse, for his advances on account of the contingent expences. The \$352 $\frac{4}{5}$, which, together with that sum, make up the whole deficiency of \$1,613 $\frac{5}{8}$ are due for stationary. The register informs, that the reason why the expences have exceeded the appropriation, must be

ascribed to our situation here, which is on many accounts more expensive than formerly, and to sundry articles of furniture, &c. incident to completing the building.

The deficiency in the other article is explained in the enclosed letter and statement of the register.

The act of 2d March 1799, has fixed the aggregate salaries of the clerks in each office. It seems to have been intended by the legislature at their last session, to make an allowance for additional clerks or compensation in the offices of the accountant of the navy, of the purveyor of public supplies, of the superintendant of stamps, and of the commissioner of loans of Pennsylvania; and an appropriation was accordingly made. But the words of the appropriation clauses do not specify that it is made for additional clerks, or for additional compensation, as is the case in the clause which gives 15 per cent. additional in the four departments and in the office of the post-master general. Of course the appropriation applies only to the expence authorized by the act of 2d March 1799; and although larger than necessary to defray that expence, does not authorize the additional intended compensation; in the same manner as an appropriation of 30,000 dollars for the compensation of the president, would not alone authorize the payment of a larger sum than his salary as fixed by law. It is, indeed, understood, that an appropriation by law may, as in the case of the 15 per cent. authorize the expence; but then it must be so expressly stated in the law. In this instance, the comptroller has not thought himself justified in passing the accounts in the four offices above mentioned, although the expence had actually been incurred; and a law is necessary in order to carry into effect the intention of the legislature. The sums rejected in the accounts

for that reason are stated in the enclosed memorandum.

I have the honour to be,

Respectfully,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ALBERT GALLATIN.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Jan. 25th, 1802.

JOHN RANDOLPH, ESQ.
Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means.

No. III.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

REGISTER'S OFFICE, *22d January, 1802.*

SIR,

FROM an examination of the appropriations of monies for printing the public accounts, it appears by a statement, to which I beg leave to refer, that there is a deficiency in former appropriations, and that the sum of one thousand four hundred dollars, remains to be estimated for the year 1801, and also

to make good certain deficiencies which have arisen
in six annual former appropriations for this object.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient,

And most humble servant,

JOSEPH NOURSE.

Hon. ALBERT GALLATIN,
Secretary of the Treasury.

No. IV.

Appropriations for printing the Public Accounts.

1797.	Feb. 9,	Warrant for	-	-	900	Appropriation for	1796,	-	-	1,000
	June 13,	Ditto,	-	-	276 17		1797,	-	-	1,000
1798.	May 80,	Ditto,	-	-	719 40		1798,	-	-	1,000
	Nov. 16,	Ditto,	-	-	800		1799,	-	-	1,200
1799.	May 1,	Ditto,	-	-	304 43		1800,	-	-	1,200
	July 2,	Ditto,	-	-	800		1801,	-	-	1,200
1800.	May 17,	Ditto,	-	-	391 25					
	Aug. 5,	Ditto, A.	-	-	1,000					
1801.	April 21,	Ditto, B.	-	-	1,000					
1802.	Jan.	Ditto, C.	-	-	408 75					

Dollars, 6,600

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A.	Of this sum there remains in the hands of the agent,	-	52 51,	accounts of 1799.
B.	Ditto,	-	748 83,	of 1800.
C.	Ditto,	-	408 75,	of 1801.

\$ 1,210 9

1,400 deficiency.

Balance due the Printers for printing	-	about	210 9
the accounts of 1799,	-	-	-
Printing accounts of 1800,	-	-	1,200
of 1801,	-	-	1,200

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of the offices of the Treasury
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nguages, for the quarter		
1st December, 1801,	84	
omptroller - - -	23	55
uditor, - - -	5	53
ommissioner of the Reve-		
- - - - -	248	50
gister, - - -	308	59
es, general to the De-		
- - - - -	1,619	17
Dollars,	2,289	34

16th, 1802,

FERRAL.

Dr. Joseph Nourse, agent for paying the contingent expences of the offices of the Treasury Department.

In account current with the United States, Cr.

	Dols. Cts.		Dols. Cts.
To balance due by him, per report		By amount of his expenditures from the	
No. 12,875, - - - -	928 17	1st of October, 1801, to the 14th Jan-	
Balance due Joseph Nourse, -	1361 17	uary, 1802, for the contingent expen-	
		ces of the different offices of the Trea-	
		sury, viz.	
		Office of the Secretary of the Treasury,	
		including the salary of the translator,	
		of foreign languages, for the quarter	
		ending the 31st December, 1801,	84
		Ditto, of the Comptroller - - -	23 55
		Ditto, of the Auditor, - - -	5 53
		Ditto, of the Commissioner of the Reve-	
		nue, - - - - -	248 50
		Ditto of the Register, - - - -	308 59
		Sundry expences, general to the De-	
		partment, - - - - -	1,619 17
Dollars, 2,289 34		Dollars, 2,289 34	

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, *January 16th*, 1802,

P. FERRAL.

No. VI.

The following are the offices in which the expenditures for Clerk-hire, for the year 1801, appear to have exceeded the sums allowed by law for that purpose.

Accountant of the navy,	-	excess,	1,900 31
Purveyor of public supplies,		do.	700
Superintendent of stamps,	-	do.	377 78
Commissioner of loans, Pen.		do.	1,500

In respect to all those offices however, the appropriations were ample, though by reason of the limitation contained in the act of the 2d March 1799, they could not be applied to the objects for which they were apparently designed.

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